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MEMORANDUM FOR: Imagery Collection Requirements Subcommittee

SUBJECT : Monthly Report on Overhead Imagery Reconnaissance

1. Attached is the report on overhead imagery reconnaissance for the month of August 1975.

2. Status of activity and coverage obtained during the month are reported in the following sections:

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STATUS OF INTELLIGENCE SEARCH/SURVEILLANCE

1. The current status of coverage against the USIB standing periodic intelligence search/surveillance requirements is given in the following four tables, reported in terms of clear, usable panoramic photography acquired on the USSR, Eastern Europe, China, Mongolia, North Korea, North Vietnam, and the Middle East. Coverage is expressed in millions of square nautical miles and as a percentage of the total areas designated for search in each of the listed regions. The status of coverage is given as of 31 August 1975 and is based on the 3x3 nautical mile WAG subcell as the basic area unit of account. However, for graphic purposes, as well as for operational targeting and delineation of requirements to the NRO, the 12x18 nautical mile WAG cell is the basic area unit used. A graphic presentation of the status of coverage as of 31 August 1975 is given on Map 1.

Search/Surveillance

2. Target Cluster Search/Surveillance. The current status of achievement against the Target Cluster coverage search/surveillance requirement for the three-month (quarterly) period 1 June - 31 August 1975 is reported in Table 1. For convenience in assessing status of coverage by geographic areas, the clusters are compiled under the same general areas used for designating area search coverage. The basic requirements statement, 25X1D however, encompasses all target clusters as a single collection category and does not differentiate by geographic regions.

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STATUS OF INTELLIGENCE SEARCH/SURVEILLANCE (Cont)

TABLE 1

| <u>Total</u> <u>Clusters</u> | <u>Requirement</u> <u>Square NM</u> <u>(Millions)</u> | <u>Photographed</u> <u>Square NM</u> <u>(Millions)</u> | <u>Percent</u> |
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AIRBORNE IMAGERY RECONNAISSANCE

1. Airborne imagery reconnaissance missions during August are summarized in the following chart. The 14 [] flights flown in August are not shown on the chart. There were no [] and [] missions flown during August.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>SR-71^a</u> | <u>U-2^b</u> | <u>Bench Box (RF-4C)^c</u> |
|-------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Aug 3 | | | Korean DMZ |
| 4 | | [] | |
| 7 | Korean DMZ | | |
| 8 | | | Korean DMZ |
| 10 | | Suez | Korean DMZ |
| 11 | | | Korean DMZ |
| 15 | Korean DMZ | | |
| 19 | | | Korean DMZ |
| 23 | | | Korean DMZ |
| 26 | Korean DMZ | | |
| 27 | Korean DMZ | | |
| 29 | Korean DMZ | | |

^aSR-71 missions flown in Indochina and the North Korean DMZ (primarily [] operate under the project heading GIANT SCALE, while GIANT PLATE missions operate over Cuba.

^bU-2 missions operating over the []

^cProvides long-range oblique photography of targets beyond the DMZ.

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CUBA

1. During the four-month period ending 31 August 1975,

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2. Satellites.

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3. Aircraft. There were no GIANT PLATE (SR-71) missions flown over Cuba during August.

4. The two GIANT PLATE (SR-71) missions, one each flown in May and July, achieved the only coverage on approximately 5141 square nautical miles (13.7 percent) of the country, thereby failing to satisfy the USIB requirement that 80 percent of Cuba be covered by high-resolution stereo photography during any four-month period.

5. Map 2 depicts the coverage achieved during the four-month period ending 31 August 1975.

6. The distribution - by target categories - for the 133 COMIREX targets in Cuba is given below, together with coverage acquired during the four-month period ending 31 August.

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CUBA (Cont)

| Target Category | Total Targets | Total Target Looks | | Unique Targets Completely Imaged |
|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | GIANT PLANTE | |
| Missiles | 34 | | 12 | 13 |
| Airfields | 15 | | 11 | 9 |
| Port Facilities | 13 | | 9 | 11 |
| Radar/Electronic Facilities | 14 | | 6 | 6 |
| Military | 56 | | 26 | 26 |
| Urban/Industrial | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| Other | — | | — | <u>1</u> |
| Total | 133 | | 65 | 67 |

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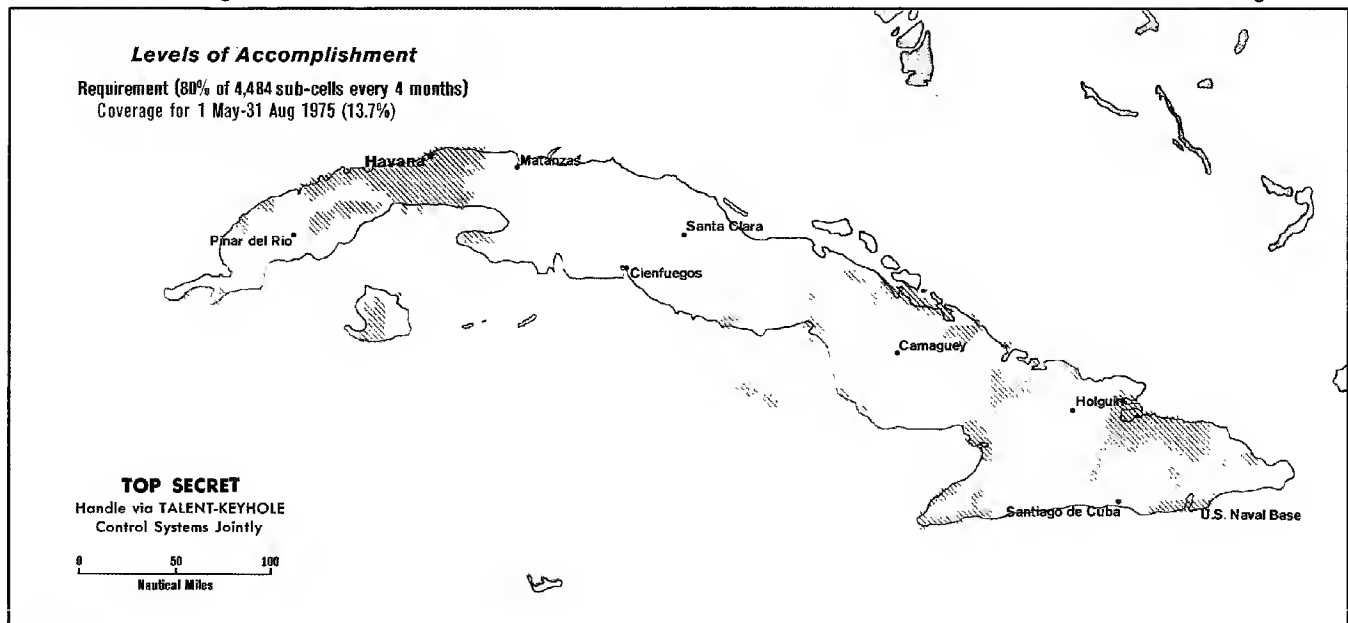
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Cuba: Area Coverage Status **Map 2**
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INDOCHINA

(North Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, South Vietnam)

25X1D 1. Airborne Reconnaissance. During August no GIANT SCALE (SR-71) missions were flown against Communist targets in Cambodia, Laos, and North and South Vietnam.

3. Coverage Achieved. During August, there was no coverage obtained of COMIREX targets in Indochina.

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